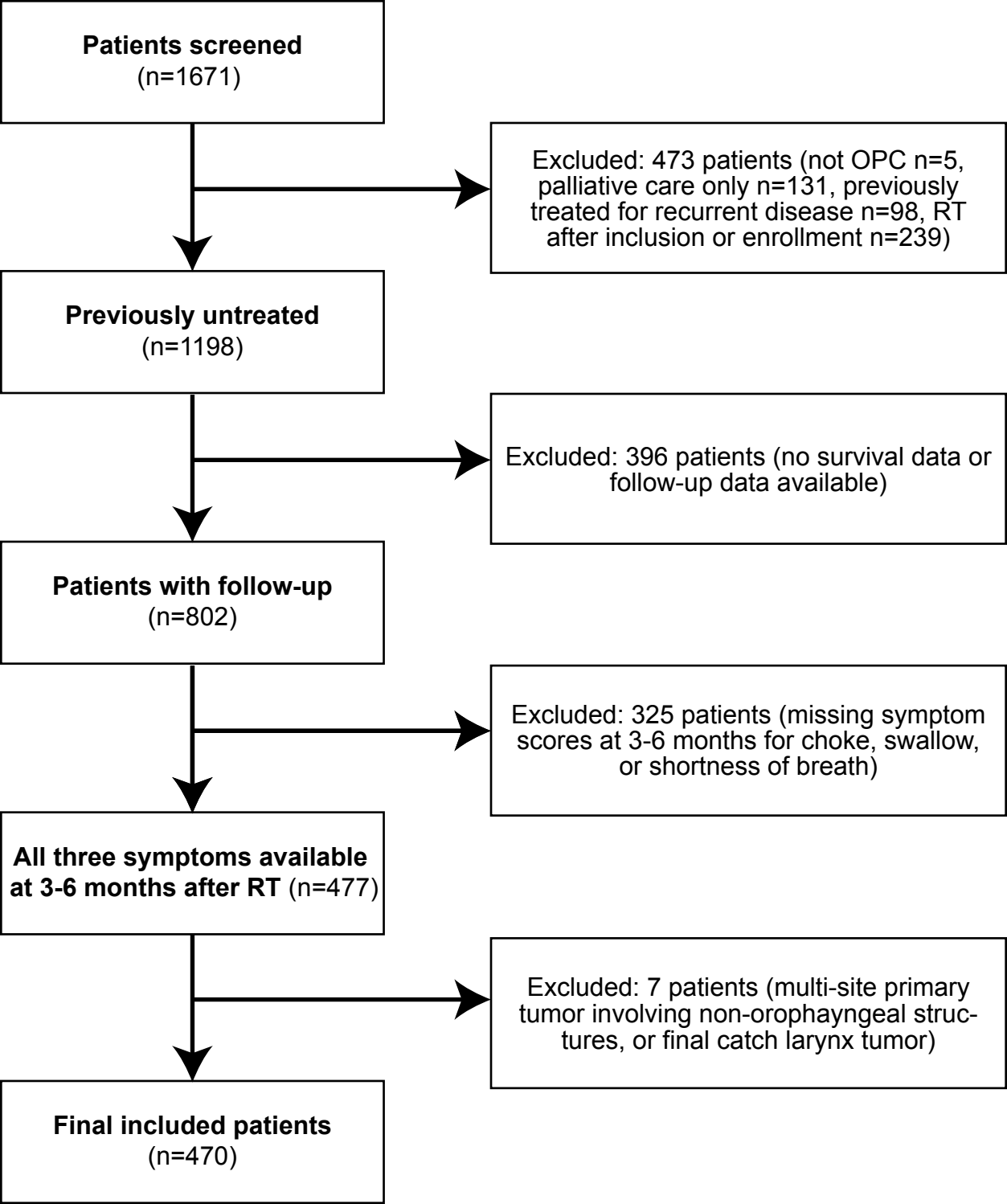
Patients screened
(n=1671)
Excluded: 473 patients (not OPC n=5, palliative care only n=131, previously treated for recurrent disease n=98, RT after inclusion or enrollment n=239)
Previously untreated
(n=1198)
Excluded: 396 patients (no survival data or follow-up data available)
Patients with follow-up
(n=802)
Excluded: 325 patients (missing symptom scores at 3-6 months for choke, swallow, or shortness of breath)
All three symptoms available at 3-6 months after RT (n=477)
Excluded: 7 patients (multi-site primary tumor involving non-orophayngeal structures, or final catch larynx tumor)
Final included patients
(n=470)